

Notices to Consignees.

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM MIDDLESBOURG, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship *Glenelg* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-day.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 4th Proximo will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 11th Proximo, otherwise they will not be recognized.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 28, 1894. 1894

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Bellona*, Captain F. J. Jones, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Underwriters, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p.m. To-day.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th Inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th Inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SHIMMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 28, 1894. 1872

UNION LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOURG, ANTWERP, HAMBURG AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship *Assault* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Underwriters before Noon on the 4th Sept., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd Sept., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 4th September will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 27, 1894. 1352

To Let.

TO LET.

No. 2, FREDERICK STREET, next to the Post Office.

No. 72, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Apply to G. C. ANDERSON, 15, Praya Central.

Hongkong, March 16, 1893. 504

TO LET.

NOS. 7 and 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

OFFICES IN VICTORIA BUILDINGS.

OFFICE IN NO. 4, PRAYA CENTRAL.

GODOWNS IN WANGHAI, at the back of MOORE'S BUILDINGS.

OFFICES AND ROOMS at CONNAUGHT HOUSE.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, August 24, 1894. 329

TO LET.

DWELLING HOUSES—

"HIGHERLY" at MAGAZINE GAP.

No. 1, RUPES ROAD, near the

STREET and STATION STREET.

FLOORS in ELGIN STREET, PHEL

STREET and STATION STREET.

FLOORS in No. 5, SHILLLEY

STREET.

No. 8, OLD BAYLEY.

OFFICES—

PRAYA CENTRAL, OVER MOORE'S

DOUGLAS LARLIE & Co.'s.

GODOWNS—

BLUE BUILDINGS.

Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-

MENT & AGENCY CO., Ltd.

Hongkong, July 2, 1894. 18

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BREMEN AND PORTS OF CALL.

THE above-named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-day.

To-day's Advertisements.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The Co's Steamship *Gera*, Captain B. BLANKE, will leave for the above place

TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 30th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MELOHRS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 29, 1894. 1383

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

The Co's Steamship *Nürnberg*, Captain H. WALKER, will leave for the above Ports

on FRIDAY, the 31st Inst., at Daylight.

Return Tickets will be granted, available also for the return voyage by the Steamers of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MELOHRS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 29, 1894. 1382

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship *Argyll*, Captain WILLIAMSON, will leave for the above Ports

on SATURDAY, the 31st Inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 29, 1894. 1402

U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Proposed Sailing from HONGKONG.

City of Peking (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama & Honolulu) ... WEDNESDAY, Sept. 19, at 1 p.m.

China (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama & Honolulu) ... THURSDAY, Oct. 2, at 1 p.m.

Peru (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama & Honolulu) ... SATURDAY, Oct. 20, at 1 p.m.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CITY OF Peking* will be despatched to SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on WEDNESDAY, 19th September, at 1 p.m., leaving Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the United States, Southern Pacific, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of \$10.00 Gold in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination, the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Navy, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 1 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full: name of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to ports beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in San Francisco, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, August 29, 1894. 1400

WEEKLY NEWS FOR HOME.

The Overland China Mail.

IS PUBLISHED to suit the Departure of each European and Far East Mail Steamer for Europe. It contains special Commercial Intelligence, special tables of Shipping, and other information. The various Reports of Courts and Meetings, and all other news are given in full as they appear in the Daily Press.

The Overland China Mail, by the convenience of its form and the accuracy and fullness of its reports, has long been popular with residents who wish to send home a weekly budget of the Hongkong news of Hongkong and the Far East, as given in its columns, and also among residents at the Treaty Ports and in the interior, it offers special advantages to advertisers.

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Hongkong, August 29, 1894. 1403

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination	Vessels	Agents	Date of Leaving
Peohow and Tientsin	Kwaiyang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Sept. 2, daylight
Japan	Argona (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Aug. 31, daylight
London & Ports of Call	Surest (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Aug. 30, at noon
London & Buzs Oats	Alcedo (s)	Arnold, Karper & Co.	September 1
London & Hamburg	Trocas (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Sept. 12
London & v. Marselles	Asia (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Sept. 4
London	Japan (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Sept. 18
Marseilles & Saigon	Salacio (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Sept. 5, at noon
Nanki, Kobe & Yama	Fintshire (s)	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	Sept. 5, at noon
New York & v. Suez Canal	Madoff (s)	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	About Sept. 13
New York	Bilston Hill	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch
New York	Georgio S. Homar	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch
New York	Susquahanna	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch
Port Darwin, v. Japan	Chingtu (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Sept. 18, at 3 p.m.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	Gauche (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Sept. 11, at 1 p.m.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	City of Peking (s)	Pacific Mail S. & Co.	Sept. 19, at 1 p.m.
San Francisco	Silberhorn	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch
Shanghai	Gera (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd	Aug. 30, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Ravenna (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Sept. 9
Shanghai, Kobe & Yama	Strathdon (s)	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	About August 31
Shanghai, Kobe & Yama	Amryl (s)	Siemssen & Co.	Aug. 31, at 4 p.m.
Spore, Penang & P. Bay	Burma (s)	Orlovitz & Co.	Sept. 3, at noon
Spore, Penang & P. Bay	Catherine Apear (s)	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Aug. 30, at 5 p.m.
Sourabaya, v. Japan	Shantung (s)	Butterfield & Swire	August 30
Stow, Amoy & P. Bay	Namoa (s)	Douglas Lapaik & Co.	Aug. 30, at noon
Tientsin	Kwaiyang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	September 3
Yamaguchi (B. I.)	India (s)	Empress of India	Sept. 5, at noon
Yokohama and Kobe	Awany (s)	Nor. P. & S. Co.	Sept. 25, at noon
Yama, Kobe & Nanki	Nitaberg (s)	Siemssen & Co.	August 30
		Norddeutscher Lloyd	Aug. 31, daylight

To-day's Advertisements.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, on SATURDAY, 15th September, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1894.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 15th September, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LARLIE & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, August 29, 1894. 1406

FOUND.

A Young FOX TERRIER, with White Owner may recover it by defraying the cost of this advertisement. Apply to No. 23, MOSQUE JUNCTION.

Hongkong, August 29, 1894. 1401

Dakin, Cruickshank & Company, Ltd.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

FIRST-CLASS DISPENSING at prices that will bear comparison with first-rate pharmacies at home.

Every care is taken to ensure prompt despatch; all Drugs and Chemicals used are guaranteed to be of the finest quality, and all the Europeans in the firm are qualified by British examination.

PATENT MEDICINES, INVALIDS' REQUISITES, SURGICAL APPLIANCES, Etc., Etc., at Current Rates.

SPONGES, PERFUMERY, TOILET REQUISITES.

The Dispensary is open from 7 a.m. to 7.30 p.m. on WEEK DAYS and from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on SUNDAYS, but Medicine may be obtained at any hour, day or night.

Any Complaints should be addressed to the MANAGER.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

August 28—

Siam, British steamer, 992, J. F. Messer, Swatow August 27, General—BRADLEY & Co.

August 29—

Lyeoncon, German str., from Canton.

Strathdon, British steamer, 1,186, Forsyth, Hong Kong Aug. 27, Coal—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Tantulus, British steamer, 2,289, Hannah, Liverpool and Singapore August 25, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Germantown, British steamer, 1,740, D. W. B. Smith, August 26, General—DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.

Erang, British steamer, 1,127, G. Payne, Saigon Aug. 25, Rice and General—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Lokang, British steamer, 978, H. Moncur, Shanghai August 25, and Swatow 28, General—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Ethiopia, British steamer, 1,905, P. J. Miles, Kutchinora August 24, Coal—MRS. RUSSAN KATSHA.

DEPARTURES.

August 29—

Choyang, for Canton.

City of Rio de Janeiro, for Amoy, &c. Para Chua Chom Kiao, for Bangkok.

Peru, for Hongkong.

Huif, for Hoihow.

Lokang, for Canton.

Altoine, for Hoihow.

Lennox, for Kobe.

Namoa, for Swatow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per Siam, from Swatow, 117 Chineses.

Per Amoy, from Liverpool, &c., Capt. White, and 14 Chineses.

Per Gera, from Bremen, &c., Mr. C. Basseu and family, Messrs H. V. Mann, O. Rambach, Mrs. Richardson, Messrs A. Bauerfeld, A. Nielsen, G. Wyckoff, G. Morgan, A. B. Bowles, and 245 Chineses.

Per Erang, from Saigon, 60 Chineses.

Per Lokang, from Shanghai, Mrs. Dickson, and 25 Chineses.

DEPARTURES.

Per City of Rio de Janeiro, for Nagasaki, Mr. R. Bennett, and 2 Japanese; for Yokohama, Messrs A. Babington and R. M. Moss; for San Francisco, Mrs. Peacock, and 1 Indian sailor; for London, Lieut. C. L. Per Para Chua Chom Kiao, for Bangkok, 10 Chineses.

Per Huif, for Hoihow, 2 Europeans, and 250 Chineses.

To DEPART.

Per Siam, for Hongkong; for Bombay, Mr. W. B. Balmor, Col. W. B. Williams, and Dr. M. M. Gini; for London, Mr. and Mrs. J. Jones, and Capt. Overbridge.

From Shanghai, for Colombo, Mr. E. A. Christy; for London, Messrs L. H. Tamplin, J. Mallor, W. Waters and J. Gillan. From Kobe, for Bombay, Captain O. T. Denny, Messrs H. O. W. Vale, L. Pinckney, D. McAdon, H. A. Daniels, J. O. Dyer, G. Wilson and H. S. Wilson.

Per Amoy, for Swatow, 50 Chineses.

Per Namoa, for Swatow, 2 Europeans, and 20 Chineses.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Noon.—Namoa leaves for Coast Ports.

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

3 p.m.—Catherine Apear leaves for Straits and Calcutta.

4 p.m.—Lyeoncon leaves for Shanghai.

4 p.m.—Gera leaves for Shanghai.

Shantung leaves for Soerabaya, &c. Awany leaves for Japan.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Bellona* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Exchange.

Hongkong, August 29, 1894.

On London ... 2 2/2

On demand ... 2 2/2

On 30 days' sight ... 2 2/2

On 4 months' sight ... 2 2/2

On 6 months' sight ... 2 2/2

On demand ... 2 2/2

On demand ... 2 2/2

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PLANNED SUEZ CANAL.
OUTWARD BOUND.—*Strathglen*, July 23; *Vindobona*, 20; *Himali Branch*, Aug. 3; *Indochina*, Chienan, Aug. 7; *Willow Branch*, 10; *Glenfarg*, 14; *Ajacc*, *Oceanic*, *Alouin*, 21.
HOMeward BOUND.—*Glenfarg*, July 17; *Yorkshire*, *Polyphamus*, 20; *Sutley*, *Glenfarg*, 27; *Bombay*, August 3; *Menonshire*, 10; *Canlon*, *Radnorshire*, 14; *Necor*, *Irme*, 17; *Sydney*, 21.

The *s. Strathglen* left Singapore on Aug. 24, and may be expected here on or about Aug. 30.

We note that Captain Hannah is now in command of the Blue-Flag steamer *Tan-tah*. Capt. Jones was in command when the vessel was near Hongkong a few months ago.

The M. M. s. *Milbourne* with the French mail of 3d August left Singapore on Wednesday, the 23th, at 5 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 31st Sept.

There must be somebody with a sense of humor in the German mail office. For some days past the advertisement has appeared: "Steam to Shanghai: the steamship *Gers*, Captain —, will leave, etc. Now it turns out that the Captain's name is B. Blanke.

Captain Young, of the steamer *Hongay*, is still in hospital at Foochow, suffering from the injury sustained on board his ship in a typhoon recently, when his thigh and hip joint were badly damaged. He is progressing slowly; he cannot get out yet, but is doing as well as can be expected.

A COUPLE who anchored a pair of carriages from a Chinese woman in Wellington Street yesterday, about noon, was stopped by a Police constable to-day before Mr. H. E. Wedhouse, who sentenced him to six months' imprisonment and 15 strokes with a rattan.

The old Victoria Hotel, which had been kept open as far as the bar and billiard room were concerned, is closed completely to-day. To-morrow the removal to the new premises at the corner of Lee House Street will be finished, and the new 'Vic' will be doing business in full swing on the 1st of September.

At the Magistracy to-day, before Mr. Woodhouse, a couple named Cheung Yu had to plead guilty to several small depredations on native meat-shops. At one he stole a box, 42 in each, and other articles. At another he obtained four fowls by representing himself as a servant of a regular customer, whose name and description he gave correctly. He was sent to gaol for three months.

The Band of the 1st Shanghai Light Infantry will play the following programme on the Barrack Square to-night, commencing at 7.30 o'clock:
Polka: "Toujours Gallant" (Fahrbach).
Polka: "New Promenade" (Fahrbach).
Polka: "Polka" (Fahrbach).
Polka: "Happy Dances" (Fahrbach).
Polka: "King of the Revels" (Fahrbach).
Polka: "Bullfinch" (Fahrbach).
Polka: "Blossom Bell" (Fahrbach).
Polka: "La Toccata" (Fahrbach).

There are still a number of Chinese letter-carrying agencies in Hongkong. A few days ago a Jarvis Street cloth-dealer went to one of the native post offices with a letter containing \$3.20, and the contents plainly stated on the outside of the envelope. He gave it to a man who claimed to be post-master-general of the establishment; but the letter was never delivered to the addressee, a man in Canton; and it was soon found that that postal service was a delusion and a snare, and its presiding genius a fraud. He was brought before Comm. Hastings at the Magistracy and sent to gaol for three months.

The fixing of the Straits military contribution at \$20,000 gives the sister Colony relief to the extent of \$20,000. The Straits colonists advertised their grievances at Home in a manner which ought to have stimulated Hongkong to fresh exertion with a view to get the burden of \$40,000 reduced. With the appalling calamity which has recently overtaken this Colony and thrown upon it additional heavy burdens, the Unofficial Members of the Legislative Council might be encouraged to relegate the question of a reduction of the military exaction.

A poor, feeble, decrepit, crippled old wreck of a Chinaman, who had been taken up to the Magistracy for begging in the streets on Monday, slipped away from his captors and was able to distance them easily in the ensuing steepleslope through the highways and byways of Chinatown. As the Japanese war corresponds in Corcoran, "the Chinese are very smart in retreating." The Constable who had been in charge of the mendicant was brought before the Magistracy to-day and accused of neglecting duty in letting the prisoner escape, but was acquitted on pleading, first, that he had another prisoner on his hands at the time, and secondly, that he managed to re-arrest the fugitive later. The beggar was therefore put into the dock, and charged with mendacity and also with escaping from lawful custody. He was convicted on both counts and sent to gaol for fourteen days. The late Chief Justice of the Straits, Sir E. I. O'Malley, former Attorney-General of Hongkong, held that it was only in accordance with the law of nature that a prisoner should escape if allowed the chance, and that it was unreasonable to punish such attempts. He therefore refused to sentence a man brought before him on a charge of escaping.

The *s. s. Argyl* left Singapore on the 28th inst. and is due here on or about the 3rd September.

The *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver on 28th August, for Hongkong via Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

Hongkong residents who complain that rickshaws go nearly as slowly as an ordinary walk will be pleased to learn that there is one exception. A ricksha coolie at Wanohai went so fast with his fare that in avoiding another vehicle he upset his own into the gutter, and ever since (Aug. 24) the fare has been in hospital with a broken head. The coolie had to pay \$1 compensation at the Magistracy to-day.

Ne San Tak is a gentleman who aspires to be clown in a pantomime. He picked up a bundle of goods on one of the Kowloon Wharves yesterday, and in walking away with the plunder he collided with a watchman. He then explained that he was afraid the bundle might be stolen and so was taking it to a safe place where somebody would look after it. He is now in a safe place where somebody will look after him for six weeks.

It is a natural enough that in time of war the authorities should be very jealous of newspaper correspondents, as secrecy is sometimes all important in manoeuvres, but when Governments publish official statements which hide the truth in optimistic exaggerations, they stultify themselves and defeat their own ends. In the recent civil war in Brazil there was a great deal of this stupid business; false and reconnoitring sallies of the enemy were magnified into overwhelming defeats by the party that controlled and monopolized the channels of information. So it is with China and Japan now—especially China; say some, and 'particularly Japan' say others. At the very first of the fighting the Japanese reported that the Chinese were sunk (and so did the Chinese, for that matter) whereas they escaped with some damage; and the Chinese reported that the Japanese Admiral was killed whereas there was no admiral on the spot at all. Next the Japanese reported a great victory at Yashan, where no doubt they did capture a position held by an inferior force; but the Chinese were so little hurt that they outmarched the enemy, got right round and past the Japanese, joined the northern army, and have since more than held their own. It is reported that the Japanese Government has taken the trouble to inform the London Times and New York Tribune by wire that 'the Japanese fleet holds the Chinese fleet cornered on the coast of China and will force it to come out and fight, or will destroy it.' It is a pity that Governments should go beyond ordinary proclamations and enter into competition with legitimate newspaper correspondents; does the Imperial Treasury profit thereby, at so much a line? If so, the editors will do well to administer rebuke to their august contributors for wilful inaccuracy in reporting.

The fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board will be held to-morrow. The following is the programme of business:—*Orders of the day.*—(1) Report by a Committee of the Board upon the arrangements of the New Central Market. (2) Report by a Committee of the Board upon the Mortality Statistics. (3) Report by a Committee of the Board upon the revision of the Standing Orders. (4) Letter from the Honorable Colonial Secretary replying to the Board's answer to a Minute by His Excellency the Governor concerning the exercise of the Board's powers with regard to premises unfit for human habitation. *Agenda.*—(1) Mortality returns for weeks ended the 18th and 24th August, 1894. (2) Letter from the Colonial Secretary concerning the conferring of powers upon the Board for the general inspection of drains. (3) Colonial Secretary's letter forwarding a report by the Acting Superintendent of the Government Civil Hospital on the subject of leprosy. (4) Letter from the Colonial Secretary enclosing a joint report by the Government Analysts on the subject of disinfection work carried on in connection with the plague. (5) Letter from the Colonial Secretary upon the subject of an increased water supply. (6) Letter from the Colonial Secretary authorizing an expenditure for the purchase of conservancy buckets. (7) Letter from the Colonial Secretary requesting to be supplied with draft of the conditions to be fulfilled by the lessees of the new Sheep and Pig Depots. (8) Letter from the Colonial Secretary upon the subject of public laundry work in the Colony. (9) Letter from the Colonial Secretary concerning the staff of watchmen at the new Sheep and Pig Depots. (10) Surveyor's report upon the conditions of drains of houses in connection with the Lee House Lane storm-water drain. (11) Surveyor's report upon the condition of drains at (a) 'The Globe Hotel' (b) Nos. 1 to 6, Pak-Tai Lane. (c) No. 22, Caine Road. (12) Further letter by the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon upon the subject of the importation of fresh meat. (13) Applications for new licences and for renewal of licences to keep cattle and swine. (14) Correspondence concerning the working of the drainage by-laws. (15) Letter from Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co. concerning the existence of insanitary premises in the vicinity of Causeway Bay. (16) Letter from the Secretary of the Gas Company concerning drainage arrangements of their premises.

As we go to press we receive from Col. Jerrard, D.A.A.G., a copy of Garrison Orders issued by General Barker to the troops, stating that the Commander-in-Chief (the Duke of Cambridge) has approved of the soldiers of the Hongkong garrison being employed in plague work, but deploring the deaths that resulted.

Vice-Admiral Sir, who is spoken of as Admiral Sir F. Fremantle's successor on the China Station, is a Chinese scholar and a mandarin of the Empire. Admiral Hotham is also mentioned for the command.

The Committee of the Kobo Traders' Club intended to enquire into the effects of the war upon local trade has made its report. It comments on the large amount of Chinese boats imported between the 20th of March last and June, chiefly for carrying purposes, and on the anticipations held of a large number of boats for provision purposes expected in July. These anticipations were largely disappointed owing to the long continued drought in China and its effect upon the rivers, transport to Newchwang from the interior being very difficult. Rain and the certainty of war came together and the trade was totally suspended. This has not affected local merchants so severely as yet because of the large quantities in stock. Rice imports have been very small this year, owing to the plague at Hongkong, and the outbreak of hostilities. Consequently, foreign rice now imported will probably command comparatively high prices. The committee is of opinion that if the war continues long the native rice will be a good deal further, and the result will be large imports of foreign rice.

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